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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 30 January 1957

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Amory, Mr. [redacted], Col. White,
Mr. Sheldon, [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

a) Noted that the Symington Sub-Committee report is to be released tomorrow and asked DD/I to obtain a copy, have [redacted] carefully go over it, and bring to his (DCI's) attention any portions that are of interest to CIA. The Director also noted this Committee will presumably cease to exist now that the report has been completed, unless it is reconstituted by the Chairman of the Full Committee.

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c. Referred to the Congressional investigation on the conduct of U.S. foreign policy in the Middle East since 1946 and noted that in all probability this Agency would be called upon to furnish a report of its activities during this period. The Director particularly referred to certain missions (2) which we should be prepared to report on if necessary.

ACTION: A/DD/P.

d) Handed Mr. [redacted] a State cable respecting Soviet penetration in Burma and asked him to obtain the views of FE Division.

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Mr. [redacted]

a) Received the Director's approval to have [redacted] visit the Agency the latter part of April.

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b) Noted that a recent series of reports lead him to believe that we should bring up to date the vulnerability study on the USSR and suggested that this be farmed out to [redacted]. Mr. Amory commented that General Cutler has some ideas on this subject and suggested that we first check with him. The Director agreed to do so at today's CCB meeting.

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Noted that as a result of the Director's last trip he had raised the question as to whether an operation in [redacted] should be turned over to the Military. [redacted] said a study of this had been made by DD/P

and after some changes had been made in this program he had discussed it with [redacted] who agreed that CIA should remain responsible. Note: Concurrent Defense and CIA cables to this effect are being dispatched. Mr. Amory commented that we might wish to review this program further as a result of the President's doctrine and NSC policy on the line of defense

Mr. Amory:

s) Reported that [REDACTED] had just completed two years' service on a loan basis with [REDACTED] and was to be replaced by [REDACTED]. The Director approved.

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b) Noted that [redacted] and his staff had prepared an excellent detailed study of the activities of the Hungarian Communist Party during the past ten years. The Director said he would like to send a copy to J. Edgar Hoover and asked DD/I to prepare a letter of transmittal for his (DCI's) signature.

c) Referred to a certain operation [] and recommended since it now involves more or less O.B. reporting, that it be discontinued. The Director agreed but noted his intention of first discussing this in an executive session of the IAC. Mr. [] commented should it be decided to discontinue the operation in question, we still would have one FI officer []. The Director asked Mr. [] to furnish him a very brief memorandum as to the number of people now engaged in the above-mentioned program.

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Colonel White:

Reported that in view of the approval to grant medical benefits to dependents of our people serving overseas the question had been raised as to whether medical evaluation and/or screening of these dependents should be made prior to departure to overseas stations and if so, should this evaluation be performed by our medical staff or if preferred by the dependents, by their private physicians. The Director said it would help if such evaluation were made by private physicians. However, should dependents so request, the examination would be performed by the Agency Medical Staff. The Director commented that possibly a medical form to be completed by dependents might suffice for some locations.

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